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Sen. Eric Schmitt Newly Appointed to Serve on Senate Committees

Fiscal Oversight, Judiciary Focus of New Appointments

JEFFERSON CITY – State Senator Eric Schmitt, R-Glendale, was recently appointed by Senate President Pro Tem Charlie Shields, R-St. Joseph, to the Senate Committee on Judiciary and Civil and Criminal Jurisprudence and as vice-chair of the Senate Committee on Governmental Accountability and Fiscal Oversight.

The Governmental Accountability and Fiscal Oversight Committee considers and reports upon all bills (except regular appropriation bills) that require new appropriations or expenditures of more than \$100,000. Once such a bill is approved by the regular standing committee and perfected by the Senate, it is then referred to the Committee on Governmental Accountability and Fiscal Oversight for its consideration before it can be considered for third reading. The committee also considers and reports on bills relating to tax credits, tax credit reform, budget reform, governmental efficiency and management.

“It is one of my ongoing goals to protect taxpayers, and fiscal oversight is a very important part of best utilizing Missourians’ tax dollars,” said Sen. Schmitt. “It is also critical to focus on making government more accountable to the tax payers.”

The Judiciary and Civil and Criminal Jurisprudence Committee deals with bills relating to the judicial department of the state including the practice of the courts of this state, civil procedure and criminal laws, criminal costs, and probation and parole.

“The bills that we will be dealing with in the Judiciary and Civil and Criminal Jurisprudence Committee directly affect the safety of our communities,” said Sen. Schmitt. “I will pull on my experience as an attorney to forward bills that will improve our system of justice.”

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